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In re Application of: Chen et al.

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AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated October 16, 2007, (hereinafter the "Official Action"), having a period for response that expired on January 16, 2008. A request for a **three-month** extension of time is filed simultaneously herewith, extending the period for response to April 16, 2008. A check in the amount of **\$1,050.00** is enclosed for the extension fee. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

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